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Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference
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Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☒ No.

If Yes, brief description: _____

Claim(s) discussed: 1.


Identification of prior art discussed: Crozier (US 5,701,423) and Norin (5,794,253).

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☐ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Applicant's representative explained the invention, discussed claimed limitations and how they are distinguished from Crozier and Norin's teachings. The examiner submitted that Crozier and Norin as combined, teach each and every limitation of the claim 1. The examiner will provide a written response to applicant's arguments in the next Office Action.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

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